Allies' Annual Bill for

Occupation Has Been

Reduced to 60 Millions

Of Present Figure

dition Good; Finances

Near a Crisis, He Says

ber of Deputies to-day made the in

Amount One-Sixth

Pays \$90,000 To Mrs. Blum

Breach of Promise Suit for \$500,000 Settled by Compromise Agreement in 3-Hour Conference He Bows to Her

Details; Defendant in Galli-Curei, RageAttacksCameraman

hearly 7 o'clock last night closs will enter a motion before the Finch in Supreme Court the case ken from the docket.

Gould Nods at Mrs. Blum rs. Blum, accompanied by her er, arrived at Mr. Schloss's office (10 vesterday afternoon. Mr. Gould, his attorney, arrived a few mo-ts later. As Mr. Gould entered the

ere will be no statements." "The case has been settled and we an agreement to that end.

d to Mrs. Blum, Mr. Schloss refused answer. Shortly before 7 o'clock Gould walked out of the confer-

with a handkerchief. Mr.

they stepped into the corridor s Blum screamed at aroused the neighbors for blocks

Blast Results

LAWRENCEVILLE, Ill., Feb. 7.—
Eight persons are dead and another is probably fatally injured as the result of the explosion of a can of nitrospecific at Cross Roads School, two miles west of here, shortly after noon to-day. As dead were Emmet Bunna, school teacher, and some of hits students.

The explosion occurred at the noon necess, when one of the boys found the can, Not knowing it contained an explosive, he playfully tossed it to a companion who, in turn, tried to open the can with an axe.

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The authorities were told that the can from a creek running by the school and foated down from a nitro-glycername gazaine about three quarters of a mile away. It was said that the practice is to empty the cans at the magaine, afterward destroying them, and is believed that the container which believed that the container which lew up was one that held only a small amount of explosive and had been thrown in the creek.

One wall of the schoolhouse crumbled and Mr. Bunyan and eight boys were hurled about fifty feet in the life.

Street, Halting Traffic Four alarms were turned in for a fire that started shortly before 10 o'clock last night in the four-story brick building at 168 Atlantic Avenue, Brooklyn. The damage was estimated at \$40,000. The biaze was discovered in the rear of the basement occupied by the Standard Kimona Company. The flames spread rapidly upward and soon had anyeloped the entire rear of the building. Tenants in nearby apartment houses were driven to the street.

Several firemen had narrow escapes from injury when a wall on the first soor collapsed. Police reserves from several precincts were called and traffic between Court Street and South Ferry has halted during the time the firemen fought the blaze.

Report Gould Metropolitan Signs Galli-Curci; Can Take Outside Engagements Drugs Seized Ally Pleaded

Noted Soprano Tells of Remarkable Contract and Denies Row With Mary Garden; May Appear With Chicago Company, Too

Galli-Curci will sing with the Metpolitan Opera Company next season. the Metropolitan, Giulio Gatti-Casazza, there were those who voiced the opinion that since the ascent of Mary Garden to the directorship of the Chicago Opera Company, with which Galli-Curci has been singing since her appearance in this country, a row of some sort had been responsible for the success of the Metropolitan in getting Galli-Curci.

"That is not at all the case," said "With the Chicago company next season meant, he said:

"I would rather that any statement that is to be given out should come from Mme. Galli-Curci. She is stopping at the Hotel Pennsylvania."

Asked if the new arrangement means that Galli-Curci will not appear in Chicago, he said:

"I am filclined to believe she will sing both in Chicago and New York." Mary Garden to the directorship of On Entering Room the Chicago Opera Company, with which Neither Side Will Reveal some sort had been responsible for the

"That is not at all the case," said Mme. Galli Curci last night at the Hotel Pennsylvania. "Mary Garden and I are the best of friends. My contract with the Chicago company expires this season. It was important to me that I get a new contract. Mr. I am inclined to believe she will sing both in Chicago and New York next season, but you will have to get the facts from her."

At the hotel, it was learned that the Metropolitan contract was most satisfactory, not alone as to the money me. Galli-Curci is to receive, but as "That is not at all the case," said against Kingdon Gould, oldest and I are the best of friends. My contract with the Chicago company experies Blum was ended was me that season. It was important to me that I get a new contract. Mr. Gatti-Casazza offered me a most flattering opportunity to appear with the Metropolitan next season and, as it has been my ambition since I came to

came known that Gatti-Casazza had signed the noted soprano.

by Seven Thugs Whose

Leader Claims Maid Work-

ing There Is His Wife

Weapons Used in Fight;

Intruders Escape in Autos

before midnight Sunday.

by Harold Albohn, nineteen years old.

Gangmen Steal Motor Thefts Girl in Battle; Drop From 100 2 Women Hurt A Week to None

Pistols, Shotgun and Other Police May Be Involved in Wall Street Bond Thefts; Surety Co. Books Asked

investigating the Hylan administration.

rnor, was appointed special Assistant The noise of the conflict waged be District Attorney on January 4. Ten

He found that

found by Mr. Whitman's assistants that

Seven Arrested In Chinatown Den

Sells \$100,000 in Narcotics in This City Daily

Chinatown Den Raided

so Far This Month, the with possessing narcotics. Drugs

Man and His Son Resist More Indictments To-day staged in Hester Street by Dr. Simon

name is withheld, found that two men the Hester Street place which was raided last night.

Find Men Smoking Opium

When the Commissioner and detec-ves burst into the room they found

ound whisky bottles, corks, forged la-

Paris-to-Argentina Flight Above Atmosphere Discussed

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The article, which is applicable to the Tribase controlled the temperature of the Community state," if any to the community the temperature of the Community that the source of an army of 2,00,000, delay in the careful and the control of the source of th

\$200,000 in Houston Says Italy Forces Down Cost

Opium Layout, Whisky Refuses Details, Saying Still, Forged Labels He Is Not Fully Inand \$25,000 Cameos formed, as McAdoo Handled Early Negotiations

Will Again Face Senators To-day

Dr. Simons Says Ring Paid 56 Millions to Others for Russia; It Owes America 187 Millions

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7 .- Admitting

the exchanges between this country and other powers apropos of the loans should not be given publicity. Fits Into Chamberlain Speech

Although Mr. Houston to-day re-used to go into details about the proposal for cancellation of debt, his tatement closely fits in with the re-cent statement of J. Austen Chamber-ain British Chancellor of the Exjuer, that a proposal was made to country for cancellation of debts the Allies, but that it did no t the favor of the United States lation. The official record, however, indicates that he referred to one country. Secretary Houston was before the committee in connection with the Reed bill, which would repeal authority for foreign loans and would prevent further credits, commitments or payments.

by Harold Albohn, nineteen veers old, a brooking and proposed and his attorney at the special and his attorney at the special and his attorney at the special content of the special co The men in the room made a dash for the fire escape in the rear, but were forced back by detectives waiting with drawn revolvers. The men described themselves as Salvator Acceta, twentynine years old, of 183 Mott Street, a driver, Nicholas Gunta, twenty-one years old, of 110 Mott Street, a driver; Nicholas Gunta, twenty-twey years old, of 110 Mott Street, a chauffeur; and Joseph Lupo, twenty-twey years old, of 171 Hester Street, a driver, They will be arraigned in court tome and federal officials.

The raids followed general information gathered during the recent investigations by federal and police squads on which revealed the existence of an international ring engaged in smuggling marcotic drugs. So vast have the activities of this ring become that Dr. Carlton Simon, Special Deputy Police Compared the Simon Simon, Special Deputy Police Compared the Simon S

contract under which Greece, France and Great Britain each was to get 250,000,000 francs.

Asked by Senator Reed for a copy of this contract, Secretary Houston said some of these matters might be disclosed when he appeared before the Foreign Relations Committee, but he

Student Says Actress

Tells Hospital Doctors of Attack in Her Apartment and

In Four Raids We Void Debt Of Watch on Rhine; Foch May Occupy Frankfort Sforza Tells Deputies

Ruhr Area Also To Be Seized And Possibly Port of Hamburg

agitation over reparations, declared to-day that he would not budge one milli-meter from the position he has taken. The Germans appear equally determined to resist. Reports are current regarding the purchase by Germany of unusual quantities of food, presumably in anticipation of future scarcity.

As the situation now stands, Germany has certain time limits, set by the treaty the Spacescent of the standard of the st

sailles treaty, the Spa agreement and the Paris conference demands, it has developed within the last few days.

In face of the extraordinary and somewhat disquieting news which is

Navy Will Use Ostfriesland as Army Bill Over Target in Test Veto by 67 to 1

Reported Selected for "Battle" to Decide Merits of Aeros as Fighters

Daniels Asserts He Would Holds Forces to 175,000;

Be Willing to Command Vessel in Bombing at Sea

over battleships which is raging in army and naval circles. Secretary of the Navy Daniels announced to-day that tests would be made by the navy within the next ninety days under the joint army to 175,000.

Without debate, by the overwhelm through. As the House had already passed the measure over the veto, this this would be the best method "to the best method the best method "to the best method the best method "to the best method the board of the army and navy.

In a letter to Secretary of War Baker the Navy Secretary invites representatives of the army to witness or participate in the experiments, and urges that some definite arrangement

Germany's Economic Con-

the Allied occupation of the Rhine

Contest Within 90 Days Baker Obeys New Law

Wilson Sustained in Rejecting Gun Club Grant

army has been conducting for months an intensified campaign for recruits and this campaign is brought to a sudden halt. As a result of this campaign is brought to a sudden halt. As a result of this campaign is brought to a sudden halt. As a result of this campaign, recruits have been added to the army at the rate of a thousand a day, or more, every thousand men added to the army at the rate of a thousand a day, or more, every thousand men added to the army at the rate of a thousand a day, or more, every thousand men added to the army at the rate of a thousand a day, or more, every thousand men added to the army at the rate of a thousand a day, or more, every thousand men added to the army at the rate of a thousand a day, or more, every thousand men added to the army at the rate of a thousand a day, or more, every thousand men added to the army at the rate of a thousand a day, or more, every thousand men added to the army at the rate of a thousand a day, or more, every thousand men added to the army at the rate of a thousand a day, or more, every thousand men added to the army at the rate of a thousand a day, or more, every thousand men added to the army at the rate of a thousand a day, or more, every thousand men added to the army at the rate of a thousand a day, or more, every thousand men added to the army at the rate of a thousand a day, or more, every thousand men added to the army at the rate of a thousand a day, or more, every thousand men added to the army at the rate of a thousand a day, or more, every thousand men added to the army at the rate of a thousand a day, or more, every thousand men added to the army at the rate of a thousand a day, or more, every thousand men added to the army at the rate of a thousand a day, or more, every thousand men added to the army at the rate of a thousand a day, or more, every thousand men added to the army at the rate of a thousand a day, or more, every thousand men added to the army at the rate of a thousand a day, or more, every thousand men added to the army at th

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retard Germany's economic recon-

The Foreign Minister said that by President,. Is Lone though for obvious reasons German Democrat Voting for Him had declined to publish statistics of

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7 .- Democrats growing worse and there was reason

makes it a law, and Secretary of War reach a tolerable atmosphere for Euro-

Secretary Baker, on being apprised of the action of the Senate at once took steps to obey the new law. At his direction, Adjutant General Secretary Baker, on being apprised through her present trials, may reconstruct herself on the basis of a large federal grouping and show respect for neighboring states.

ponents of the air fleet as against those who believe the usefulness of capital ships is still paramount may be actually determined.

Navy's Reply to Mitchell

overtures to Ellis Dresel, the American commissioner in the German capi-

Mr. Dresel was said by Secretary Davis to be without authority to dis-cuss with the German government any

·Hurled Acid in His Face Body Exhumed Fourth Time In \$300,000 Death Mystery

2,000,000 and Friendship
With Japan and Germany
COPENHAGEN, Feb. 7.—The Petrograd Pravda prints an article by Nikolai Lenine, the Russian Bolshevik Premier, declaring that the fight between the labor unions and the Soviets for supremacy will break up the whole Bolshevik state system, unless a settlement is soon reached.
The article, which is captioned "The Communist Party in a Crisis," declares that the majority of the Russian laborites are too selfish. "They are out for material benefit to themselves at the expense of the general welfare of the Communist state," it says.

Are Seized by Officers

Galli-Curci will sing where and when she likes under her new contract.

When Ben H. Atwell, representative of the Chicage Opera Company, was seen at the Manhattan Opera House last night he declined to make any statement. Asked what the announcement that Galli-Curci was not to be with the Chicago company next season meant, he said:

"However, the contract with the Metropolitan does not forbid me singing elsewhere."

And that last statement really answers all questions raised when it became known that the statement really answers all questions raised when it became known that the statement really and only a contract with the Metropolitan next season, but also a contract with the Chicago Opera Company."

Scarsdale Home Invaded Record Shows 400 Stolen in December and Not One Whitman Probers Hear

Automobile thefts which averaged

dale, a suburb of White Plains, just

Only Twenty-one Stolen in January In checking up yesterday it was

special counsel to the Board of Estimate's city contract investigation, was said yesterday to be absolutely apart from the information possessed by Comptroller Craig, which has been called for by District Attorney Dana Wallace, of Queens.

Detective Has Side Line

It developed yesterday that one of the detectives involved in the automobile graft scandal has been for some time conducting a well paying business on the side.

Counsel for ex-Detective Sergeants "Marty" Owens and Thomas J. Horan, indicted in the scandal, made an unsuccessful effort yesterday for an examination of the grand jury minutes (Continued on page three)

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**Adramatic. It followed an elaborate decoy plan, in which Salvatore Pacetta, an agent of the Federal narcotic squad, acted as purchaser. The latter went to the undertaking establishment of Samuel di Miere, at 348 Metropolitan Avenue, Brooklyn. There Pacetta is said to have turned over \$625, the agreed price, for forty-four ounces of drugs.

Di Miere then took Pacetta, it is said, in an automobile to 80 Second Street, Manhattan. The car was followed by taxis containing the two narcotic squads. At the latter address the drugs were turned over by Alfred Lattiere, the raiders say. Immediately (Continued on page three)

for such an eventuality. military action if this should be found Premier Briand, in discussing the necessary. Senate Passes

Former German Battleship Kirby, Who Was Among "Willful 12" Attacked

Baker will have no choice but to stop pean cooperation."

The Foreign Minister ended by ex-

be made whereby the claims of the pro-The proposed naval tests are the an intensified campaign for recruits spect, although it previously had be

Fire Drives Many to